

Please replace paragraph [0066], beginning at page 11, line 14 with the following paragraph:

[0066] In addition, processor 22 receives user input entered by a user via user input 26 to control various operations performed by patient programmer 20. Processor 22 also controls a telemetry interface 30 to transmit and receive information, such as instructions and status information. In particular, telemetry interface 30 drives one or both of an internal antenna 32 and an external antenna 34 to transmit instructions to IMD 12. In addition, telemetry interface 30 processes signals received by internal antenna 32 and external antenna 34 from IMD 12. Internal antenna 32 is mounted within a housing associated with patient programmer 20, whereas external antenna 34 extends outward from patient programmer 20 via an antenna cable. Notably, as shown in FIG. 1, programmer 20 may include both a display 28 and internal antenna 32.

Please replace paragraph [0070], beginning at page 12, line ²³~~21~~ with the following paragraph:

[0070] In order to modify programs and parameter settings and otherwise control IMD 12, patient programmer 20 communicates with IMD 12 via wireless telemetry techniques. For example, programmer 20 may communicate with IMD 12 via RF telemetry. In this manner, patient programmer 20 is used by patient ~~12~~18 to control the delivery of neurostimulation therapy by IMD 12. For telemetry with IMD 12, patient programmer 20 may use either internal antenna 32 or external antenna 34 on a selective basis.

Please replace paragraph [0072], beginning at page 13, line 5 with the following paragraph:

[0072] Display 28 and associated display electronic can produce significant electrical and electromagnetic interference capable of degrading the performance of internal antenna ~~22~~32 during telemetry sessions. This interference may be particularly troublesome due to the relatively close proximity of internal antenna 32 to display 28 within the housing of patient programmer 20. For this reason, processor 22 or other control circuitry within patient programmer 20 may be configured to selectively disable, i.e., turn off, display 28 and associated display electronics during RF telemetry with internal antenna 32 to promote more reliable communication. For

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